**World History – Cold War Extension Assignment**

**Background: Pop Culture during the Cold War!**

**The United States and the Soviet Union competed for dominance in the post WWII world. The two superpowers were rivals with differing ideologies. This competition came to be known as the “Cold War” because, although wars were fought, the two powers never directly entered into WWIII. Naturally, popular culture reflected the feelings of this era.**

**Your Assignment:**

1. **Research pop culture of the Cold War**

**You are to research examples of how the Cold War influenced popular culture from 1945-1991. Your research MUST include examples of each of the following:**

* 1. **You are to watch one (1) movie from the era that relates to the Cold War.**
  2. **You are to listen to at least two (2) songs from the era that relate to the Cold War.**

1. **You are to write reports for the following:**
   1. **Movie = Write a 1 page reaction that describe the theme and events of the movie. Conclude with an evaluation of how the Cold War culture influenced it.**
   2. **Music = Write a 1 page (total) reaction that describe the lyrics of the songs and what you think they mean. Conclude with an evaluation of how the Cold War culture influenced them.**
2. **Write a short essay (1 Page) describing the lasting significance of the Cold War. Be sure to include how popular culture was affected by world events during this era.**

**\* Be sure to include citations!!!**